



Marist Brothers Juniorate Celebrates 100 Years

VENUE: LAVALLA ESTATE 131 Dominion Road, Tuakau
 DATE: Friday 25th March - Sunday 27th March 2022

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Soul Sessions - new gospel music show to feature Pacific artists <https://www.rnz.co.nz/international/pacific-news/438773/new-gospel-music-show-to-feature-pacific-artists> Hosted by Sara-Jane Elika.

Vacancies
 There are several vacancies within the Auckland Diocese. To view the roles available go to the website <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/>

Ranfurly Care seeks staff for Disabled Living residents
 Ranfurly Care 52-56 Ranfurly Rd Epsom is seeking experienced and energetic caring staff for their disabled accommodation and community. Please contact Jo or Linda 096303010 or email joelene@ranfurlycare.co.nz

St Mark Catholic Mission Parish is celebrating its 50th Jubilee Year (1971-2021) on **Sunday 18 April 2021** at 10am, with an outdoor Mass at the Parish School Ground with Bishop Michael Gielan as the main presider. We invite all priests and parishioners who served at St Mark to join us on this celebration of thanksgiving. For further information, please call the office 09 576 7959 or email us at admin@stmark.org.nz

Theology of the Body is the name given to St John Paul II's profoundly beautiful catechesis on human love, human dignity, the meaning of our bodies and of sexual desire as they relate to the purpose of our existence.

Theology of the Body lays out a banquet that truly satisfies the deep hunger in our hearts. It reveals God's ultimate plan for each of us in a full and life giving way.

NEW COURSE: Fulfilled: The Promise of the Christian Life is a 12 part series that delves into the first pillar of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. We start by looking deeply at the 'ache' of human longing and finish by expounding the Creed. This beautiful series opens the eyes of our hearts to the hope of infinite bliss and fulfilment in Christ. For more information contact Maria on tobauckland@gmail.com or register at www.theologyofthebody.nz

We remember those who have recently died:

Richard (Dick) Draper, Virginia delos Reyes, Reza Salehi

Please pray for those who are in need of our prayers, especially:

Nell Graham, Eileen Martin, Jenny Hart, Tony Vela, Michael Pender, Ronwen Hughes, Fr Justin Taylor sm, Patricia Bolton, Hazel Milligan, Movez D'Souza, John Rodgers, Abraham Cullen, Tina Fitness, Athol Munro, Julie Carmody, Patricia Cabiling, Martin Harriman, Marsha Tan, Hannah Gibson, Fr Aloysius Deeney OCD, Anne, Helena Burnett

PARISH of ST. MICHAEL

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER 2021

11 April 2021

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Baptism Preparation:
 Pauline loelu

Religious Education:
 Peter Hay-Mackenzie (adults)
 Emma Houghton (children)

Music Rosters: Louise Porter

Sunday Masses:

Sunday Eucharist:
 8:00am, 10:00am, 8.30pm
Saturday Evening 5:00pm

Weekday Masses:

St. Michael's - Monday, Tuesday,
 Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 7am
 Thursday 7am and 9:15am (School Mass)
 Saturday 8am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

After Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri
 7am Mass

Anointing of the Sick:
 First Friday of each month 11am

Reconciliation / Confession:
 Half hour before Mass on Saturday 5pm,
 Sunday 8am, 10am, 8.30pm
 Saturday 8:30am or by appointment

READINGS THIS SUNDAY

1. Acts 4:32-35
2. 1John 5:1-6

Pastor's Column : 2nd Sunday of Easter 2021

One can only imagine how awestruck Aladdin was, on encountering the cave of gold and jewels and precious things, among which was the Genie-lamp! The richness of today's Gospel can only evoke a similar awe-striking response and more-so! John's Gospel has two, as it were book-ends; its magnificent beginning, contemplating the Word, through whom all things had being and in the end parts of the Gospel, Thomas' unique exclamation, "My Lord and my God". Here he not only professes Jesus Lordship, but also his Divinity. "Shalom" even in our time, is the very beautiful greeting Jews bestow on each other- "Peace!" Jesus uses it emphatically and repetitively in his Resurrection appearances. In context it has rich significance. Just imagine the state of mind of these, his closest followers, his intimate disciples; apart from John, they all had betrayed, abandoned and left him to be crucified and there he is, three days later, bodily, standing before them. Extraordinarily, after sinning by rejecting him, out of fear for their lives, he takes away their fear, guilt and remorse by saying, "Shalom!" and he gifts them with power to forgive sins by breathing on them individually. This gesture echoes at the beginning of creation, God breathing life into the clay of the earth, making Adam a living being. Here Jesus, initiating the new Creation, institutes the beautiful Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession), not only to mediate His forgiving of all sins, but also to retain forgiveness to the insincere penitent. Thomas is the archetype of the sophisticated modern. Thomas wanted empirical evidence and he got it! Just as the Church, the Bride of Christ was born from Jesus pierced side in the sleep of death, (As Eve was from the side of Adam in his sleep) by water representing Baptism and Blood the Eucharist, so Thomas putting his fingers into Jesus side, is in a sense, sacramentally encountering Jesus Risen Presence. We hear from Thomas, for the first time in John's Gospel, an exclamation of Jesus, Divinity, the second book-end. Thomas' profession also evokes from Jesus a blessing for us who were not blessed with his earthly presence; "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe!" Thomas' name comes from the Aramaic name, Teoma (Hebrew Te'om) meaning Twin. The Greek word is Didymus. Because the "Twin" is not named, we can imagine ourselves to be his "twin". The ever and ongoing revealing of the holographic image of Jesus on his burial cloth, now in Turin, invites us to touch Jesus wounds, not only on his shroud, but also in the wounded members of his Church, where we can encounter Jesus, living and present, his Risen Body.

Fr Tony Dunn

ROSTER	2nd Sunday of Easter 10th and 11th April 2021		2nd Sunday of Easter 17th and 18th April 2021	
	Ministers of Holy Communion			
Sat 5pm	Ant Martin, Philomena Pinto (G)	Rolinda D'Souza, Francisco Byun (G)		
Sun 8am	Frances Hay-MacKenzie, Ann Shaw (G)	Lianne Lyons, Faye McKewen (G)		
Sun 10am	Ginger Tadaran, Anthony Segedin (G), Issa Ilo-Cabiling	Shobha Johnson, Julie-Ann Eggermont (G), Nerissa Reyes		
Sun 8.30pm	Christopher Setiobudi, Jo Livingstone (G)	Michele Bebich, Nigel Tse (G)		
Proclaimers of the Word				
	1. Acts 4:32-35	2.1John 5:1-6	1. Acts 3:13-15, 17-19	2.1John 2:1-5
Sat 5pm	Shenali Fernando, Kelsey Turner (PoF)		Gay Barton, Francine Morais (PoF)	
Sun 8am	Eileen Robinson-Piper, Clare Wade (PoF)		Frances Hay-MacKenzie, Peter Hay-MacKenzie (PoF)	
Sun 10am	Margaret van Meeuwen, Kathryn Schollum (PoF)		Margaret-Mary Farrell, Louise Gordon (PoF)	
Collectors				
Sat 5pm	Stan Pinto	Birgita Muller		
Sun 8am	Mike Molloy	Tom Piggini, Yvonne MacMillan		
Sun 10am	Fitzmaurice Family	Denise Valerio		
	Counters: Parish Office		Counters: Helen & Tony Turner	
Laptop Operators				
Sat 5pm	John Trenwith	India Twomey		
Sun 8am	Bernard Kendall	Kerry McKewen		
Sun 10am	Benedict Bayliss	Maria Olvido		
Altar Servers				
Sat 5pm	Francie Morais, Ben Morais, Santiago Aguirre	Esmenia D'Souza, Ashley Robins, Jess Robins		
Sun 8am	Keira Croad, Jacob Croad	Jonathan Luxford		
Sun 10am	Dre Canapi, Zander Ilo-Cabiling, Joaquin Ambrosio	Patrick and Simon Tighe-Umbers, Isaac Houghton		
Sanctuary Care				
	Eric Balderas & Meg Crisostomo		Thomas & Polly Yuen	
Children's Liturgy				
Sun 10am	No children's liturgy -no leaders available		School Holidays – Resumes Term 2	
Musicians / Cantors				
Sat 5pm	Edmond Wong, Antonia Brightwell	Hannah, Poppy, Pipers, Michka		
Sun 8am	Nathaniel Hood	Matthew Harris		
Sun 10am	Alleluia Choir	Steve Hughes, Tim Gasson & Meileen Huang		

NOTICES

St. Michael's Mission
*We the Eucharistic community of St Michael's parish,
 by the gifts of the Holy Spirit,
 are called to witness to the living Jesus*

Laptop Operators wanted

We are looking for people to join our Laptop Operators Ministry for the Parish for all Masses, in particular Saturday 5pm. Full training is provided and we can roster you on to your preferred Mass time. This role is ideal for anyone who is intermediate school age or older who want to help the Parish in this valuable way. If you have any interest or know of anyone that you think would be perfect to help us, can you please email Fiona office@remueracatholic.org.nz

<p>Altar Servers Training For those who have received their First Holy Communion already ... A reminder that the next Altar Servers Training will be this Sunday, 11 April 2021 (9-10am) at. St Michael's Catholic Church. Please register interest to Issa on 021 179 3801 or issa_ilo@yahoo.com. Thank you.</p>
<p>Parish Contributions The preferred method of contributing to St Michael's Parish is via automatic payment. Please go to your online banking platform to set this up. Our details are: Account Name: RC Bishop of Auckland – Remuera Branch Account No: 02-0100-0120982-023 Code: Name (Surname & Initial) Reference: Planned Giving Number (PGXXXX) If you encounter a problem, please consult your bank as AP setup varies from bank to bank. Your surname and planned giving number are required so we can identify you for the purposes of sending you a charitable tax deduction certificate (you'll need to be on Parish register - please register here https://remueracatholic.org.nz/parish-register/ or at the Parish Office if not). Please contact the Parish Office if you have any questions.</p>
<p>Pastoral Council The monthly meeting took place on 6 April. Matters dealt with include: a response from Bishop Patrick to the submission made by the parish to the NZCBC; a response from Bishop Patrick to the Council's letter on the televising of Masses; planning for the annual joint parish and school social event; a response by the Council to a petition concerning a columbarium; considering a shortlist of possible projects to mark the 90th anniversary of the parish in 2023; selecting a guest speaker for the parish annual meeting on 15 August; a paper proposing a parish policy and practise regarding funeral services conducted in the church; a report from the Religious Education Committee on the completion of the Lenten Programme; reports from the Liturgy Committee on Holy Week and Easter services and on the resumption of weekend Mass following the return to Covid Level 2 in March; a report from the Caring & Support Committee regarding the training and assignment of ministers taking Holy Communion to those unable to get to Mass; a decision to hold a parish social event in May to mark the Feast of Pentecost; receiving a presentation on a concept for a possible alternative form of gathering space next to the church.</p>
<p>Baptism Programme Course Our next programme is May (the dates are Sunday 2, 16 and 30 May) for families of babies and infants. The programme will be held again in August and November. If you would like to register your interest (you may also be a pregnant "mother-to-be" wishing to participate), please email the Parish Office office@remueracatholic.org.nz. The duration of the programme is over three Sundays and meetings are held in the presbytery after 10am mass. Attendance at all 3 sessions is necessary.</p>
<p>Caring and Support Committee The Caring and Support Committee's objective is to plan, implement and manage a programme of pastoral services to the parish community and includes the following - - If a parishioner (or someone they know) feels they might benefit from the services of a social worker, we have one available, on a part-time basis. Please contact the Parish Office for further details. - If a parishioner (or someone they know) would like a home visit to receive Holy Communion, please contact the Office. - We welcome donations of non-perishable food items, which should be left in the Church foyer. These items are collected on a daily basis and distributed by St Vincent de Paul to their network of people in need. - A pamphlet explaining the services offered by the Caring and Support Committee is available in the Church Porch.</p>
<p>As a Parish, we request NO CHEWING GUM in the church as a sign of respect and courtesy. It is difficult to get out of the carpet if dropped and is an expense to the parish to remove!</p>
<p>St. Michael's meet for a pro-life rosary at 8pm before the Sunday 8:30pm mass. All welcome.</p>
<p>St. Michael's Rosary Group meets weekly on Tuesday at 7:30-8:30pm in front of the statue of Our Lady in the Church. All welcome. Contact Anne Cotton on 520 5335 or 021 644 692 or acotton@maxnet.co.nz</p>
<p>The Legion of Mary has a Pilgrim statue of Our Lady of Fatima for circulation to Parish homes. If you wish to welcome Our Lady into your home, contact Carole Kenealy on 524 8422 or 021 152 1724 or Anne Cotton on 520 5335 or 021 644 692.</p>
<p>Legion of Mary meets weekly on Sundays from 9-10am in the Parish House. All welcome to attend. Contact Carole Kenealy on 524 8422 or 021 152 1724 or carole.kenealy@gmail.com</p>